



Julia M. Downs

May 22, 1927 - October 10, 2017

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. – Julia M. Downs, age 90, formerly of Richmond, Indiana, died Tuesday, October 10, 2017, at Willow Lake Place in Indianapolis.

Born May 22, 1927, in Centerville, Indiana, to Omer and Iva McClerney Crowe, Julia lived in this community most of her life. She retired from Belden in 1993, after 34 years of service. Julia had also been involved in rental properties, real estate, and investments.

Survivors include her sons, Thomas (Susan) Downs of Indianapolis and John (Joyce) Downs of Chicago, Illinois; five grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clarence Downs, who died in 1995; parents; and brothers, Jacob Crowe, Daniel Crowe, and James Rogers.

Visitation for Julia M. Downs will be from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Saturday, October 14, 2017, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road West, Richmond. Funeral service will follow at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, October 14, 2017, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home with Deacon Frank Roberts officiating. Burial will be in Crown Hill Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Alzheimer's Association, 50 East 91st Street, Suite 100, Indianapolis, IN 46240 (for dementia).

Condolences may be sent to the family via the guest book at www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

407 Short Street
Centerville, IN 47330

Previous Events

Service

OCT **14**. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Doan & Mills Funeral Home
790 National Road West
Richmond, IN

Tribute Wall



“ *Doan & Mills Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Julia M. Downs*



Doan & Mills Funeral Home - October 12, 2017 at 03:33 PM

DH

“ *Julia was a kind, loving, and generous woman I was blessed to have as my dear friend. She deeply loved her family, her friends, and her community. Julia showed her love by not only words, but deeds. When Julia lived in Richmond she would call or stop by nearly every week to check on me and my aging parents and remind us of her love for us. When I had both parents hospitalized at the same time, Julia came to the hospital with a big tray of sweet treats for us. She also sat with me and hugged me as I nervously waited during my Mom's pacemaker implant. Julia also showed her love and compassion to others through her volunteer work with Circle U and Rock Solid Ministry. She was a wonderful lady and I will miss her. My condolences to Tom and John. She was so proud of both of you and loved you very much. - Darlene Houchin*

Darlene Houchin - October 23, 2017 at 12:24 PM

DD

“ *My condolences John and Tom and families. I always treasured my trips to Richmond and your mother was just like a grandmother to me. She was always funny and catered to us kids. I remember leaving early from school to go to Richmond for Thanksgiving. I hated when our visits were over and we had to return home. On one occasion you guys built a model car for me and I believe my first pizza was at Richmond. Great and fond memories that I still cherish. God bless!*

Duke Downs - October 12, 2017 at 08:46 PM

RD

“ *Julia was a wonderful grandmother that shared so much joy with the world. She was always trying to make you laugh. You will always be my favorite. Thanks thinking I had more girlfriends than I did and passing on your love for good music and whiskey. Hopefully one day we can share a drink again. Rest in peace, I know grandpa will be happy to see you.*

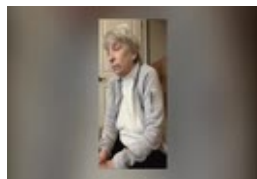
Love you,

Ryan

Ryan Downs - October 12, 2017 at 07:17 PM

TO

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Tom - October 12, 2017 at 03:16 PM

JR

I spent a lot of time with Julia before she went to Indianapolis. That sweet smile and her sense of humor will be remembered. Tom, John and families so sorry for your loss but she is at peace now and no more torment in her mind. Dementia/Alzheimer's are very cruel illness for all involved. Prayers to you all!! 💜🙏💜🙏

Jayma Randolph - October 18, 2017 at 07:07 AM

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Tom - October 12, 2017 at 02:39 PM



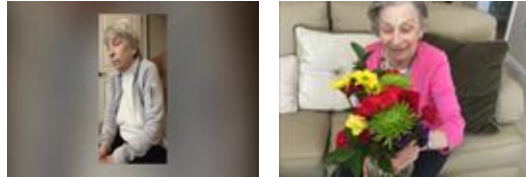
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Doan & Mills Funeral Home - October 12, 2017 at 02:15 PM

TD

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Tom Downs - October 12, 2017 at 01:32 PM

RT

“ *Julia was a wonderful woman and we were blessed to have known her for the time we did. Condolences from the Tarter family.*

Randy Tarter - October 12, 2017 at 09:39 AM

WM

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.*

Ward Colson and the Staff of Doan & Mills - October 11, 2017 at 01:55 PM